

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

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Reply To
Attn Of: ECO-088

Ref: 97-053-AFS

Everett Kissinger Tongass National Forest P.O. Box 309 Petersburg, Alaska 99833

Dear Mr. Kissinger:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received the draft Environmental Impact Statement (draft EIS) for the Crane and Rowan Mountain Timber Sales for review in accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act.

EPA Region 10 has used a screening tool to conduct a limited review of the draft EIS and, based upon the screen, we do not foresee having any environmental objections to the proposed project. Therefore, we will not be conducting a detailed review of the draft EIS.

Should you have any questions, please contact Bill Ryan of my staff at (206) 553-8561.

Sincerely,

Richard B. Parkin, Manager

Geographic Implementation Unit

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